

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A shop including a multi-facility comprising:
printing means with a computer operated by an operator,
5 provided in said shop;
a client occupiable private territory provided in said shop;
a client accessible computer placed in said private
territory in said shop;
an in-shop LAN provided in said shop and connecting to said
10 client accessible computer and said printing means with the
computer operated by the operator; and
a data management center provided outside said shop for
managing data of a plurality of said shops, and including a server
connected through an external network to said in-shop LAN of each
15 of said shops and including a client-specific data storage area
for each client issued an ID for storing data created by the client
and data created in relation to the client.
2. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
20 1, wherein said client occupiable private territory for each client
is a desk.
3. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
25 1 or claim 2, wherein said client occupiable private territory
for each client is a defined space.
4. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
3, wherein said defined space is a private room defined with walls.

5. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim 3, wherein said defined space is a booth partitioned with partition plates.

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6. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim 3, wherein said defined space is a capsule having an outer shell.

7. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein each client issued an ID gains access through said client accessible computer in said shop to said client-specific data storage area only for the client provided in said server of said data management center.

15 8. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim 7, wherein each client issued an ID and gains access through a computer outside said shop to said client-specific data storage area only for the client provided in said server of said data management center.

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9. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein data on an operating environment produced when each client issued an ID operates said client accessible computer in said shop, is transferred into and stored on said 25 client-specific data storage area only for the client provided in said server of said data management center, and the stored data is transferred into and written on a selected one of said client accessible computers provided in a selected one of said

shops as required to reproduce the same operating environment as that used last time by the client.

10. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
5 9, wherein data on an operating environment produced when one
client operates said client accessible computer in said shop,
is transferred into and written on said client accessible computer
used by another client to enable said another client to operate
the client accessible computer in the same operating environment
10 as that of the client accessible computer used by said one client.

11. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
10, wherein said client accessible computers written with the
data on the same operating environment as that used by said one
15 client has access to a document and/or an image stored in the
client-specific data storage area only for said one client.

12. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one
of claim 1 to claim 11, further comprising means for allowing
20 an operator of said shop or a manager of said data management
center to access said client-specific data storage area only for
a client in said server of said data management center by the
client's permission for storing a new document and/or a new image,
for editing and processing a document and/or an image stored therein,
25 or for printing a document and/or an image from said printed-output
means provided in each of said shops.

13. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one

of claim 1 to claim 12, wherein said client accessible computer does not have a specific operating system and a specific application program, and receives transfer of an operating system and an application program from a program server connected to said in-shop

5 LAN as required and executes the writing of the transferred operating system and application program.

14. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one of claim 1 to claim 13, wherein said client accessible computer

10 does not have a specific operating system and a specific application program, and receives transfer of an operating system and an application program from a program server provided in said data management center as required and executes the writing of the transferred operating system and application program.

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15. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim 13 or claim 14, wherein a new operating system and a new application program are written on said client accessible computer in each use of each client, and data on the written operating system and

20 application program is erased from the client accessible computer after the use of the client.

16. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim 14 or claim 15, wherein an arbitrary operating system and an

25 arbitrary application program to be written are selected by an instruction of a client, and the same operating system and the same application program as those used when a client issued an ID operated said client accessible computer in said shop last

time, are automatically selected in reference with a specification table of said client-specific data storage area for the client.

17. The shop including the multi-facility according to any one
5 of claim 1 to claim 16, wherein said in-shop LAN is connected
to a cache server for said client accessible computers for receiving
transfer of data from said server of said data management center
and accumulating the data.

10 18. The shop including the multi-facility according to claim
17, further comprising:

means for accepting a reservation of a client for use of
said client accessible computer; and

15 means for transferring required data from said server of
said data management center into said cache server on said in-shop
LAN in advance before a reserved time for accumulation.